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Federal Communications Commission Office of the Secretary

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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary **Federal Communications Commission** Office of the Secretary 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Re:

WC Docket No. 10-90, WC Docket No. 11-42

2013 ETC Annual Report of United Telephone Mutual Aid Corp. & Turtle

Mountain Communications Study Area Code 381636

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On behalf of United Telephone Mutual Aid Corp. & Turtle Mountain Communications "United & Turtle Mountain", JSI files the attached confidential and redacted versions of the FCC Form 481 ETC annual reporting information pursuant to sections 54.313 and 54.422 of the Commission's rules.1 United & Turtle Mountain seeks confidential treatment under Protective Order for section 54.313(f)(2) financial information.² The redacted version is also being filed this date via the FCC's Electronic Comment Filing System.

Please direct any questions regarding the filing to the undersigned.

Sincerely,

John Kuykendall JSI Vice President 301-459-7590

jkuykendall@jsitel.com

cc: Charles Tyler, Telecommunications Access Policy Division (two copies, confidential)

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¹ 47 C.F.R. §§ 54.313, 54.422.

² Connect America Fund et al., WC Docket No. 10-90 et al., Protective Order, DA 12-1857 rel. Nov. 16, 2012 (Protective Order). 47 C.F.R. § 54.313(f)(2).

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Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians

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> If your company serves Tribal lands, please select (Yes,No, NA) for each these boxes to confirm the status described on the attached PDF, on line 920, demonstrates coordination with the Tribal government pursuant to § 54.313(a)(9) includes:

Select

Needs assessment and deployment planning with a focus on Tribal community anchor institutions; <921>

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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF THE REPORTING CARRIER IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTING ON ITS OWN BEHALF:

Certification of Officer as to the Accuracy of the Data Report	
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TO BE COMPLETED BY THE REPORTING CARRIER, IF AN AGENT IS FILING ANNUAL REPORTS ON THE CARRIER'S BEHALF:

certify that (Name of Agent) <u>Perry Oster</u> also certify that I am an officer of the reporting carrier; my responsibilities includ agent; and, to the best of my knowledge, the reports and data provided to the au	is authorized to submit the information reported on behalf of the reporting carrier. e ensuring the accuracy of the annual data reporting requirements provided to the authorized horized agent is accurate.
Name of Authorized Agent: Perry Oster	
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Signature of Authorized Officer: CERTIFIED ONLINE	Date. 10/12/1001
Printed name of Authorized Officer: Perry Oster	
Title or position of Authorized Officer: Secretary-Treasurer	
Talanhana number of Authorized Officer: 701 256-5156	
	Due Date for this form: 10/15/2013

TO BE COMPLETED BY THE AUTHORIZED AGENT:

as agent for the reporting carrier, certify that I am authorized to submit the annual reports for universal service support recipients on behalf of the reporting carrier; I have proposed to the data reported herein based on data provided by the reporting carrier; and, to the best of my knowledge, the information reported herein is accurate. Name of Reporting Carrier: UNITED TELEPHONE MUTUAL AID CORP. Value of Authorized Agent or Employee of Agent: John Stauxulakis, Inc CERTIFIED ONLINE Date: 10/10/2013
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Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under the Communications and the United States Code. 18 U.S.C. § 1001.

Attachments

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1. Demonstration of Compliance with Applicable Service Quality Standards and Consumer Protection Rules:

In establishing this certification in its 2005 ETC Order,¹ the FCC found that an ETC must make "a specific commitment to objective measures to protect consumers." ² The FCC found that for wireless ETCs, compliance with CTIA's Consumer Code for Wireless Service would satisfy this requirement" and that the sufficiency of other commitments would be considered on a case-by-case basis. ³ In this context, the FCC stated, "to the extent a wireline or wireless ETC applicant is subject to consumer protection obligations under state law, compliance with such laws may meet our requirement."

United Telephone Mutual Aid Corporation ("Company") hereby certifies that it is complying with applicable service quality standards and consumer protection rules. The Company is subject to consumer protection obligations under federal law and, to a limited extent under North Dakota state law as a telecommunications carrier subject to North Dakota Public Service Commission regulation. These obligations include, but are not limited to, the following: (1) adherence to state requirements that the Company complies with consumer protection and service quality standards pursuant to North Dakota Administrative Code Article 69, including customer requests for lowest price

¹ Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, CC Docket No. 96-45, Report and Order, FCC 05-46 (rel. Mar. 17, 2005) ("2005 ETC Order").

² Id. at para. 28.

³ Id. The FCC noted that under the CTIA Consumer Code, wireless carriers agree to: "(1) disclose rates and terms of service to customers; (2) make available maps showing where service is generally available; (3) provide contract terms to customers and confirm changes in service; (4) allow a trial period for new service; (5) provide specific disclosures in advertising; (6) separately identify carrier charges from taxes on billing statements; (7) provide disclosures the right to terminate service for changes to contract terms; (8) provide ready access to customer service; customers the right to terminate service for changes to contract terms; (8) provide ready access to customer service; (9) promptly respond to consumer inquiries and complaints received from government agencies; and (10) abide by policies for protection of consumer privacy." Id. at n. 71.

service alternatives (69-09-05-01), discontinuance of telecommunications services (69-09-05-02), deposits and guarantees (69-09-05-03); (2) truth-in-billing requirements, and (3) CPNI, Red Flag Rules and other applicable federal and state requirements governing the protection of customers' privacy.

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1. Ability to Function in Emergency Situations

United Telephone Mutual Aid Corporation hereby certifies that it is able to function in emergency situations as set forth in §54.202(a)(2)¹ and North Dakota Administrative Code 69-09-05-12. The Company's network is designed to remain functional in emergency situations without an external power source, is able to reroute traffic around damaged facilities, and is capable of managing traffic spikes resulting from emergency situations as required by Section 54.202(a)(2). The Company can change call routing translations as needed to reroute traffic around damaged facilities. Changing call routing translations will also allow the Company to manage traffic spikes throughout its network, as emergency situations require.

Specifically, each central office building is supplied with standby generators and battery back-up that enable the central office to keep running until power is restored so long as fuel is available, or until system changes are made to reroute traffic. The Company's central office can maintain 7 hours, plus or minus 20 percent, of battery reserve rated for peak traffic load requirements, and a permanent auxiliary power unit is installed and a mobile power source is available which can be delivered and connected within four hours. The Company has battery backup at all office locations and in its electronic equipment sites capable of running for a minimum of 7 hours, plus or minus 20 percent. Length of run time is determined by the equipment serving the area and the number of customers working out of the equipment. Generators are installed at all

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Central Office locations. They will continue to run as long as the Company has access to fuel. The Company tests the batteries at least once per year.

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ETC Annual Reporting Requirements 47 CFR §54.313(a)(9) – ETCs Serving Tribal Lands

Section 1: Certification of Officer

Section 54.313(a)(9) of the rules of the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") requires United Telephone Mutual Aid Corporation/Turtle Mountain Communications Inc. ("The Company") 381636 to provide documents and information regarding discussions that The Company had with Tribal governments located within The Company's service area. The Company certifies that it followed the guidance outlined in the FCC's July 19, 2012 Public Notice¹ wherein the FCC issued guidance on the Tribal government engagement obligation provisions of the Connect America Fund.

I, Perry Oster, am an officer of United Telephone Mutual Aid Corporation/Turtle Mountain Communications Inc., and hereby certify that The Company is in compliance with the FCC's Tribal engagement requirements, and the statements made in this report are accurate:

Name of Officer (Print):	Perry Oster	
Title:	Secretary-Treasurer	
Signature:	ROS	
Date	12.18.13	

¹ See Office of Native Affairs and Policy, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, and Wireline Competition Bureau Issue Further Guidance on Tribal Government Engagement Obligation Provisions of the Connect America Fund, Public Notice, DA 12-1165, WC Docket Nos. 10-90 et al. (July 19, 2012) ("Further Guidance")

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Section 2: Company and Tribal Information

The Company is a state-designated ETC serving Tribally-owned lands in North Dakota. The Tribally-owned lands are in Belcourt in Rolette County and belong to the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians. The Company serves approximately 72 square miles and has a population of 5,815.

As of December 31, 2012, The Company does provide voice telephone service to 100% of the population in this Tribally-owned area. The Company does provide broadband service to 90% of this population.

The Company initiated the engagement process outlined in the *Further Guidance* in 2012. The Company first contacted Tribal leaders on August 31, 2012 about the Tribal engagement process. The following employee(s) participated in the Tribal engagement:

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Section 3: 54.313(a)(9)(i) A Needs Assessment and Deployment Planning

The Company is in contact with the different Tribal Officials and Agencies throughout the year to make sure their communications needs are being meet.

The Company had a face to face meeting with the Tribal Leader and the Tribal Council to discuss their communication needs on the Turtle Mountain Reservation. At the outcome of that meeting the Tribal Council passed a resolution allowing The Company to place fiber to the members of the Turtle Mountain Reservation to improve their services.

The Company has placed fiber to many of the anchor agencies on the Reservation prior to 2012 including the Tribal Headquarters, Turtle Mountain Community College, Ojibwa Indian School, Belcourt School, Indian Health Services, Tribal Transportation Services, Radio Station and Sky Dancer Casino.

The Company has also worked with the Sky Dancer Casino in order to meet their communications needs for their new facility with 200 extensions and additional broadband services.

Section 4: 54.313(a)(9)(ii) Feasibility and Sustainability Planning

The Company has placed fiber to the cell tower sites serving the Turtle Mountain Reservation.

The Company worked with the Tribal Department of Transportation on road moves and construction at BIA 4 and BIA 7, in order to ensure that services would not be interrupted during the construction by relocating our facilities at no cost.

The Company employees work with the Department of Housing almost on a daily basis to accommodate moves and promoting Tribal Life Line.

Section 5: 54.313(a)(9)(iii) Marketing Services in a Culturally Sensitive Manner

The Company utilizes the Tribal radio station KEYA for advertising on the Turtle Mountain Reservation.

The Company also advertises in the Turtle Mountain Times which is the local paper in Belcourt on the Turtle Mountain Reservation.

The Company also worked with the Tribe co-sponsoring an event for veterans which includes medical exams along with other services.

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Section 6: 54.313(a)(9)(iv) Rights of Way Processes, Land Use Permitting, Facilities Siting, Environmental and Cultural Preservation Review Processes

The Company works with the Turtle Mountain Tribe, Bureau of Indian Affairs and the State of North Dakota Historical Society.

Section 7: 54.313(a)(9)(v) Compliance with Tribal Business Licensing Requirements

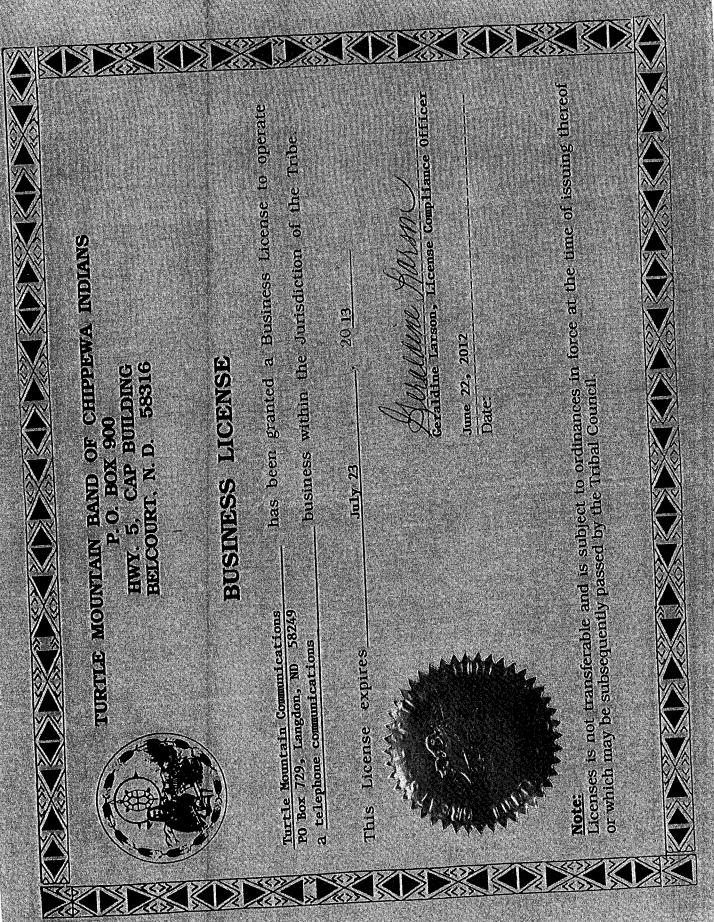
The Company purchases business licenses from the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa. We also purchase fire protection on the Turtle Mountain Reservation from the Belcourt Fire Department.

Section 8: Contact Summary

Please list all contact the Company had with the Tribal government below.

Date	Contact Type (In-person, phone, email, etc.)	Employee Contact	Tribal Contact	Successful Attempt? (Yes/No)
Various	In-person	Dennis Hansel	Allen Malaterre	Yes
Various	In-person	Dennis Hansel	Robert Morin	Yes
Various	In-person	Dennis Hansel	Ron Trottier Jr.	Yes
November 7, 2012	Phone	Ross Feil	Dennis DeCoteau	Yes

Licenses is not transferable and is subject to ordinances in force at the time of issuing thereof cense Compliance Officer has been granted a Business License to operate 58249 business within the Junsdiction of the Tribe THURSTHE MOUNTEAIN BAIND OF CHIEFEWA INDIANS 20.13 Geraldine LArson, May 14, 2012 BUSINIESS LICIOUSE HWY 5. CAP BUILDING or which may be subsequently passed by the Tribal Council. Date: P. O. BOX 200 HONE COUNTY, N. D. 411 7th Ave., PO Box 729, Langdon, ND United Telephone Mutual Aid Corp. a telephone communications This License expires



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Belcourt Fire Department PG Box 608

Belcourt, ND 58316 Telephone: 701-477-3185

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Francis J. Demery
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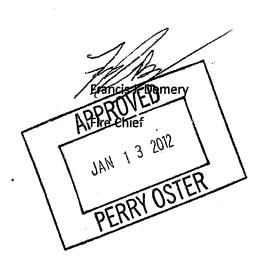
To: Turtle Mountain Communications

From: Belcourt Rural Fire Department

RE: Fire Protection

Under the Resolution number TMBCI1220-12-98 the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians has adopted the new NFPA 101 Life Safety Code in order to save lives and provide safety of our tribal members. Therefore the Belcourt Rural Fire Department is required to conduct yearly fire inspections of our local businesses. You may call for an appointment that best suits your business needs. The Belcourt Rural Fire Department offers Fire protection for only \$1.00 a day for local businesses. If you have a fire in your business without fire protection there is a minimum charge of \$300.00 per hour per truck at a minimum of two trucks. Also, there is a charge of \$25.00 per firefighter per hour at a minimum of four firefighters. The total minimum charge of \$1400.00 per fire call responded to by the Belcourt Fire Department. For a piece of mind we offer your business \$365.00 per year for fire protection. Fire protection covers all buildings and equipment that Turtle Mountain Communications owns, this year's fire protection bill is \$365.00 and is due on January 15, 2012. If you have any questions you may contact my office at 477-3185 during the hours of 8:00 am to 4:30 pm Monday through Friday.

May be paid to Belcourt Fire Department P.O. Box 608 Belcourt N.D 58316



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